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Deborah Alden Smith

¶ *"Widow Smith, aged 54 years," in her own handwriting, appears below the original silhouette portrait of Deborah (Alden) Smith. As she was born in 1770, this would fix the date of the picture as 1824. A daughter of Barnabas and Elizabeth Alden, she was sixth in line of descent from John and Priscilla. She married (April 4, 1793), David Smith, and had nine children—the first six born at Ashfield, Mass., the last three at Nelson, Madison County, N. Y. The list of her descendants will appear in the "TERCENTENARY BOOK OF ALDEN." The original silhouette is in the possession of her grandson, Mr. S. S. Mason, R.F.D., Angelica, N. Y.—whose home is at Birdsall, Allegany County, N. Y. Either address will reach him.*

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TERCENTENARY BOOK OF ALDEN

WHEN we conceived the idea of compiling and publishing the *Tercentenary Book of Alden* we did not quite realize the magnitude of the task. Hence, the time required for its preparation is greater than anticipated.

The Alden family and Alden Kindred has been called "the largest family in America." This is either the truth, or close to it, as we already possess the names of 12,000 descendants of John and Priscilla! And more coming in daily.

We have our huge task about one-third completed. We have card-indexed and arranged alphabetically and by generations and families over 4,000 names. It would be a pity to print an *incomplete* book, with such a wealth of *complete* genealogical facts in hand.

Numerous members of the Alden Kindred have written to us, urging us to take *time enough* to publish a *complete* genealogy, and one brought *down to date*. This we intend to do, whether the job takes one more year, or two. It would be a *breach of faith* to publish an *incomplete* book on the date originally proposed (July, 1921), when a *complete* book can be printed by taking more and necessary time.

Patience is required, alike by the kindred and the very busy editor, author and publisher. In the meantime, read the *Historiographer;* it will contain much to interest and enlighten you.

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ALDEN KINDRED BIRTHDAYS IN JULY

We Congratulate You.

ONE way to "get acquainted" with other members of the Alden Kindred is to send birthday cards. Birthday anniversaries always are pleasant events in a person's life. One grows old gracefully if one's neighbors and kindred know the date of one's natal day. Therefore, the *Historiographer* wishes to act as the medium of reminder for these pleasant annual occasions.

The *Historiographer* requests every reader to send in all birthday dates in each family, including father, mother, sisters, brothers, baby, uncles, aunts (if *Alden kindred*), grandpa and grandma. Please mail *your* list of family birthdays to JOHN ALDEN SEABURY (*Editor*), 124 Pulaski St., Brooklyn, N. Y., giving name, place and date of birth, with present post office address for each person. This also includes bachelors. Ladies' ages (if over 21 and under 70) will not be published unless they so request or give permission. Married women are asked to state both married and maiden name.

ALDEN KINDRED BIRTHDAYS IN JULY

Addresses below are not guaranteed; that is, in cases where exact P. O. address is not known, address of a near relative is given. The Kindred are urged to keep the Historiographer *posted as to correct addresses—and all births, marriages and deaths.*

July 1.—Edith Ottosen, c/o W. N. Redfield, Sanderson-Redfield Investment Co., Seattle, Wash.—*born Fort Mills, Philippine Islands*, 1915.
July 2.—Leland Stanford Briggs, 719 Fifteenth St., N.-W., Washington, D. C.—*born* 1891.
July 2.—Ralph Sutherland Skinkle, 221 Sheridan Rd., Kenosha, Wis.—*born Kenosha*, 1894.
July 2.—Donna Jeanne Leonard, R. F. D., Mattapoisett, Mass.—*born* 1911.
July 2.—Dorothy May Alden, 1821 Warder St., Springfield, Ohio.—*born* 1915.
July 3.—Carrie Lunt (Wilde) Stevens, 582 Pleasant St., Belmont 78, Mass.—*born Melrose, Mass.* (*over* 21).
July 3.—Beatrice Olive Whitney, Susquehanna, Pa.—*born North Jackson, Pa.*, 1912.
July 4.—Harriet Margaret (Williams) Riley, Rt. 3, Marietta, Ohio.—*born Marietta*, 1851.
July 5.—Antoinette E. (Shumway) Stanton, Seattle, Wash.—*born Belfast, Wash.* (*over* 21).
July 6.—Henry Pirtle Whitman, Asst. Sec'y, The Phoenix Insurance Co., Hartford, Conn.—*born Louisville, Ky.*, 1872.
July 6.—Beatrice Alden, 52 Mulberry St., Springfield, Mass.—*born Springfield*, 1905.
July 6.—Harold Leonard Gould, Tyringham, Mass.—*born Haverhill, N. H.*, 1912.
July 6.—Mercy Ann Ottosen, c/o W. N. Redfield, Sanderson-Redfield Investment Co., Seattle, Wash. —*born Fort Ward, Wash.*, 1917.
July 7.—Joseph Cady Staples, Penllyn, Pa., *born* 1869.
July 7.—Marianna Hedge (Boutelle) Glover, 2107 St. Paul St., Baltimore, Md.—*born Spartanburg, S. C.* (*over* 21).
July 7.—Earl Harmon Dresser, 276 Edgewood St., Hartford, Conn.—*born Hartford*, 1901.
July 7.—Robert Sherman Hotchkiss, 195 Forest Ave., Jamestown, N. Y.—*born* 1903.
July 9.—Alpheus Williams Tyler, Tylerville, Conn.—*born Haddam, Conn.*, 1828.
July 9.—John Alden Powers, Buffalo, N. Y.—*born Washington, D. C.*, 1909.
July 10.—Alice Alden Dunbar, 34 Pilgrim Rd., Waban, Mass.—*born Bridgewater, Mass* (*over* 21).
July 11.—Hattie L. Alden, 509 Court St., Janesville, Wis.—*born Janesville* (*over* 21).
July 11.—Helen (Hatch) Waldron, 624 Sansom St., Philadelphia, Pa.—(*over* 21).
July 13.—Florence Sherwood Wing, La Crosse, Wis.—*born La Crosse* (*over* 21).
July 14.—George Fales Baker, 403 Lafayette Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.—*born Philadelphia*, 1863.
July 14.—Robert Whitman Spear, Box 588, Sharon, Mass.—*born Sharon*, 1913.
July 15.—Lois May Alden, Columbia, S. C.—*born Passaic, N. J.*, (*over* 21).
July 15.—Ruth Wright Woodford, Bloomfield, Conn.—*born Bloomfield* (*over* 21).
July 16.—Sarah Belinda (Tryon) Clark, Watertown, Conn.—*born Saybrook, Conn.*, 1840.
July 16.—Meigs Haywood Whaples, Hartford, Conn.—*born New Britain, Conn.*, 1845.
July 16.—Ernest Walter Frank Woods, Joyceville, Ont., Canada—*born Joyceville*, 1915.
July 17.—James W. Alden, Bureau of Water, City Hall, Newark, N. J.—*born Watertown, N. Y.*, 1881.
July 17.—Gleda Ruth Bateman, Castor, Alta., Canada—*born Castor*, 1915.
July 18.—Clara A. Morse, 72 Elm St., Bradford, Mass.—*born Haverhill, Mass.* (*over* 21).
July 18.—Mildred Gladys Alden, 4001 West Madison St., Chicago, Ill.—*born Chicago*, 1904.
July 18.—Gertrude S. Connell, Richland Center, Wis.—*born Manchester, Iowa*, 1908.
July 19.—Alden Thompson Bunyan, Colchester, Conn.—*born Colchester*, 1897.
July 19.—Arlene Cranson, R. F. D., Conway, Mass.—*born* 1902.
July 20.—Mrs. A. H. Curtis, Franklin, Pa.—*born Steamburg, Pa.* (*over* 21).
July 20.—Alice Louise Grant, 401 Smith St., North Attleboro, Mass.—*born North Attleboro* (*over* 21).
July 20.—Willman Arthur Holt, 8 Hale St., Lowell, Mass.—*born* 1901.
July 21.—Mary Francis (Whiton) Shipman, 160 Hempstead St., New London, Conn.—*born West Stafford, Conn.* (*over* 21).
July 21.—John Balch Blood, 804 Interstate Commerce Bldg., Washington, D. C.—*born Newburyport, Mass.*, 1870.
July 21.—Charles C. Alden, Innesfail, Alta., Canada—*born Innesfail*, 1906.
July 21.—Edgar Morton Snow, Jr., 69 West Washington St., Chicago, Ill.—*born Highland Park, Ill.*, 1911.
July 22.—Ralph P. Alden, 52 Mulberry St., Springfield, Mass.—*born Springfield*, 1865.
July 22.—John Alden, 6 Upland Rd., Wellesley, Mass.—*born* 1895.
July 23.—Philip L. Barker, 2534 Drake Av., Chicago, Ill., *born Carlinville, Ill.*, 1860.
July 23.—Stillwell Nevius, 217 East 38th St., New York, N. Y.—*born New York*, 1883.
July 23.—William Arthur Cunningham Woods, Joyceville, Ont., Canada.—*born Joyceville*, 1920.
July 24.—Kenneth Melvin Alden, 1321 Warder St., Springfield, Ohio—*born Springfield*, 1919.
July 25.—Julia M. (Buckminster) Spalding, 27 Lincoln Ave., Nashua, N. H.—*born Peterborough, N. H.* (*over* 21).
July 26.—Abishai Alden Baker, Colchester, Conn.—*born Montville, Conn.*, 1835.
July 26.—John T. Alden, 74 Fairmont Av., Newton, Mass.—*born South Boston, Mass.*, 1872.
July 26.—Caroline Frye (Briggs) Hobart, 719 Fifteenth St., N.-W., Washington, D. C. (*over* 21).
July 26.—Helen Alden Smith, 1555 Highland Av., Rochester, N. Y.—*born Lynn, Mass.* (*over* 21).
July 27.—John C. Alden, 74 Fairmont Ave., Newton, Mass.—*born Newton*, 1911.
July 28.—Doris Dickinson, Woodcliff-on-Hudson, N. J.—*born in England*, 1908.
July 29.—Jean S. Briggs, 719 Fifteenth St., N.-W., Washington, D. C.—*born* 1914.
July 30.—Bessie (Hancox) Ludwig, c/o George H. Robinson, Stonington, Conn.—*b. Stonington* (*over* 21).
July 30.—Minneiska Louise (Hall) Kirby, 370 Clay Av., Rochester, N. Y.—*born Byron, N. Y.* (*over* 21).
July 30.—Ruth Katherine Shumway, Ticton, Wash.—*born Belfast, Wash.* (*over* 21).
July 30.—Loring B. Andrews, 11 Myrick St., Boston 34, Mass.—*born Boston*, 1906.
July 30.—Frances Deyo Alden, 400 Central Av., New Haven, Conn.—*born New Haven*, 1911.
July 31.—Charlotte Maconber King, Taunton, Mass.—*born Springfield, Mass.*, 1916.
July 31.—Jane Adelaide Catlin, New Richmond, Wis.—*born New Richmond*, 1917.

HOWDY, COUSIN!

THIS little paper is an experiment. Should we find it meets with a ready response on the part of the Alden kindred, we will enlarge it into a real magazine, instead of a mere monthly birthday list. *In any event*, we will publish it for one year—so *do not hesitate* to order it sent *regularly* to your address if you *like* it.

Here is a list of articles we hope to publish in subsequent issues:

Articles on Herbert Randall, Sylvester Shumway Mason, Benjamin Chandler John Bartlett and "Granddad" Grinnell.

Editorials, and "Letters to the Editor."
Birthdays; every month.
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Here and there among the kindred.
What our kinsfolk say and write.
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John Alden a Norseman?
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Dimensions of the Mayflower.
Pewter platter for bullets.
Scalped by Indians, lived.
Quit the King's Constabulary.
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Elizabeth (Alden) Pabodie.
Joseph Alden.
David Alden.
Conserving Family Trees.
Pioneer Day at Clinton Center

Alden Kindred Coming Events

June 30.—Alden Association of Steuben County; annual reunion, at farm of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Alden, Atlanta, N. Y.

July 4.—The Midwest Chapter, A. K. of A., annual reunion and picnic, after 11 A. M., at 2110 Orrington Av., Evanston, Ill.

July 13.—Alden Kindred of America (National Society); annual reunion and outing, Duxbury, Mass.

August 19.—Binghamton Chapter, A. K. of A., annual reunion and picnic, Ross Park, Binghamton, N. Y.

September 5.—Old Home Day, Alden kindred and other pioneers, Carbondale, Pa.

Read About Alden Kindred Reunions in August and September Issues.

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FORTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Top row—right to left: Frank Wesley Alden, Mrs. Mary Nagley Alden, Mrs. Myrtle Alden Manring, Fred Nagley Alden.

Second row—right to left: Mrs. Ethel Alden Stroup, Mary Jane Stroup, John Alden Stroup, Beth Alden Manring, Hollis Nelson Alden.

Delaware, Ohio, June 8, 1921.

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Alden Kindred Reunions

Atlanta, N. Y., June 30, 1921.

COUSINS of the Alden family and Alden kindred to the number of more than sixty assembled at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Alden, two miles west of Atlanta, N. Y., in the Cohocton valley, on Thursday, June 30, 1921, to celebrate the 26th annual reunion of the Alden Association of Steuben County. S. S. Mason, of Birdsall, N. Y., and John Alden Seabury, of Brooklyn, N. Y., were guests of the Aldens for two nights, and John C. Alden, of Bolivar, N. Y., remained with them over the second night. It was one "high-yew-skookum" of a good time, and one long to be remembered. Mr. Mason, who was born in 1847, was "years younger" during and after the reunion, and ye Editor accompanied him home to remain for three days in Allegany county. Everybody will go again next year, when the 27th reunion will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Burdin, (town of Howard), Avoca, N. Y., on Thursday, June 29, 1922.

Tables were spread on the spacious lawn, beneath a giant maple tree, and a sumptuous dinner was served at 1 o'clock. Rain fell just as the ice cream was reached, but it was only a passing shower and nearly everybody ate on beneath the shelter of the spreading leaves. At the business meeting, the following officers were unanimously elected:

President—Raymond Alden, of Atlanta, N. Y., (reelected).
Vice-President—John C. Alden, of Bolivar, N. Y.
Secretary-Treasurer—Minerva B. Alden, of Dansville, N. Y.
Historian—Mrs. L. I. Sharp, of Hornell, N. Y.

Stephen Reed, of Bath, N. Y., gave two readings which were greatly enjoyed. Dr. P. L. Alden, of Hammondsport, N. Y., furnished the material.

S. S. Mason, the humorist of the occasion, made some interesting remarks about his onetime life in Kansas.

John Alden Seabury, the "speaker of the day," told about his colossal work in the compilation of the Alden genealogy now in course of preparation, urging every descendant of John and Priscilla to furnish family data and otherwise cooperate. He also read several historical sketches and poems.

Miss Minerva B. Alden read the names of those who had departed this life during the past year, in the following tribute written by the Historian:

> As we meet at one more of these joyous occasions, we are reminded of those who are absent never to return. Our hearts are somewhat saddened as we spend these moments in memory of the dear ones departed within the past year.
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> **William C. Sharp**, born May 12, 1869, passed away at his home, November 23, 1920, after many months of intense suffering. He was a life long resident of Howard. We all remember him as having a smile and cheerful word for all those he met through life.
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> **Leander Perkins** died at his home in Friendship on November 19, 1920. He was past 70 years of age, and had spent his entire life at Friendship, N. Y.
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> **Lorenzo Alden** passed away May 27, 1921, at his home in Geneva, N. Y., following a brief illness. He was born on July 8, 1832, and was the son of Benjamin Alden and one of 12 children. Only two of this large family survive.
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> Although none of the deceased were able to attend our last reunion, they had been with us on a number of previous occasions, and all are well remembered by several here today. We miss their smiles and words of kindness. We know that sometime we'll understand, as we have been taught that "God's will, not thine, be done."

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Perkins, of Olean, N. Y., sent a letter of regret, which was read. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Alden for their hospitality, which was delightful. Besides those mentioned above, there were present: Harold, Raymond, John and Carl Alden, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Alden; Mrs. Leo H. Burns and daughter, Doris Audrey, of Howard; Mrs. Flora Woodruff, Livonia Center; Oneta Coots and Mr. and Mrs. Mott. Coots, Canisteo; Dr. and Mrs. Burleson, Bath; Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett, Howard; Mrs. Margaret Alden and daughter, Minerva, Dansville; Mr. and Mrs. O. Higgins, Howard; Dr. and Mrs. P. L. Alden, Hammondsport; Mrs. Frank Sharp, Kanona; Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Sharp, Hornell; Ruth Glover, Howard; Mr. and Mrs. John Burdin, Howard (Avoca P. O.); Mrs. Gertrude Bennett, Avoca; Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bennett, Howard; Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Alden and Miss Emeline Alden, Bath; Mrs. William Burns, Howell; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rorrick, Painted Post; Mrs. Mosher, Bath; Clarence Burdin, Avoca; Theodore Norton and Carl Coots, Canisteo; Burton Alden, Mrs. Susie Alden and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Alden and three children, Hornell; Mrs. Susie Glover and family, Howard.

Evanston, Ill., July 4, 1921.

THE MIDWEST CHAPTER, Alden Kindred of America, held their annual reunion on the spacious lawn of Col. Samuel F. Stewart's residence, 2110 Orrington avenue, Evanston, Ill., near Chicago, on the 4th of July, nearly 100 descendants of John and Priscilla meeting at this hospitable home to renew and strengthen the ties of kinship. The guests were received by Col. Stewart and his daughters, Mrs. Helen Chasen, of Tallahassee, Fla., and Miss Lucy Stewart. Miss Grace Courtney, the Secretary, registered the names of all and Mrs. Frederic White, Chairman of the Social Committee, saw to it that newcomers were made acquainted with their Alden relatives. Tables and chairs had been arranged in the yard west of the house. At about 12:30 the guests formed in line and marched to the rear lawn, singing "America, the Beautiful," as a processional. Baskets and boxes had been opened and the contents arranged there by capable hands, and a bountiful supply of creamed chicken, coffee, and ice cream rounded out an enjoyable picnic dinner.

The program following the dinner included the reading of portions of "The Courtship of Myles Standish," by Miss Bessie Cook of Eureka, Kansas; and short talks by Colonel Stewart, President Frank A. Alden, Mrs. Gertrude Alden Neely, and F. W. Bentley.

Anyone believing himself an Alden descendant is welcomed at any affair given by The Midwest Chapter, whether members or not. Information and application blanks may be obtained by writing to Miss Grace Courtney, secretary, 4816 North Sawyer avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Plymouth, Mass., July 13, 1921.

ALDENS from California, Chicago, Canada, Oklahoma, Michigan, New York, New Jersey, and all the New England States except Vermont, gathered in historic Plymouth on Wednesday, July 13, 1921, for the 21st annual reunion of the Alden Kindred of America, which was held in the Memorial First church (Unitarian) on Town square, close by the site of the old Plymouth home of John Alden, before he and Priscilla moved their household to Duxbury. Aldens began to come by automobile early in the morning and more came on each steam train, the bulk of them, however, on the Pilgrim Tercentenary special express from Boston. It was one of the largest gatherings in the history of the kindred and the meeting was one of the most interesting.

At the entrance of the church were ushers garbed in Pilgrim style, who showed the visitors in, and two dainty Priscillas handed them cards for their registration for future use by the secretary in making her report. These were Mrs. Arthur C. King and Miss Marian Eaton; Miss Lucy King, of Taunton; Miss Bertha Bass, of New York, and Mrs. Claribel Simonds, of South Braintree, assisted by John Aldens impersonated by Messrs. Rowell, Winsor and Winslow, of Plymouth, young men who had been invited for the work by Mrs. J. Henry Shaw, of Plymouth.

The meeting was opened by President George F. Washburn, of Manomet, after Past President Vernon Field, of Wollaston, had called the assemblage to order and had made explanation of the historic values of the gavel and block, which contained bits of stone from Southampton, England, and Plymouth Rock, respectively. Mr. Washburn then introduced the founder of the Alden Kindred, Miss A. Ella Alden, of Middleboro, who has not missed a single reunion since the national society had its inception in 1901.

Rev. E. C. Bass of Providence, nearly 85 years of age, gave the invocation, and the Adelphi quartet, of Boston, sang selections after the greeting of President Washburn, who mentioned the pleasure and value of the meeting of the Aldens, and said:

> There is a special significance at this time, the 300th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims in this town where John Alden lived. The eyes of the world will be on Plymouth in this next week or two, especially when the President will land here from his *Mayflower* August 1, 1921, the same as the Pilgrims landed from their *Mayflower*, and comes up into town to take part in the program of the day's celebration. So we will have the replica of the old *Mayflower* anchored in the harbor, and we will have the *Mayflower* of today in which the President will arrive.

"Hail, Pilgrim Fathers," was sung by the entire company, and following the custom of years the family roll was called, indicating the numbers of the Alden children. Joseph's descendants headed the list with 36 present, Ruth was next with 27, Elizabeth with 21, David with 11, Sarah with 9, Jonathan with 6, Mary with 3, and John with 3. Many others, who were out seeing Plymouth, did not answer the rollcall.

The oldest Aldens present were Abishai Alden Baker, of Colchester, Conn., aged 86, and Dr. E. C. Bass, of Providence, nearly 85. The youngest were Betsey Alden Ayers, 14 months, of Hyde Park, and John David Alden, Needham Heights, aged 5

months. Although she was not present, it was stated that the oldest Alden is Mrs. Judith Winsor Smith, 11 Roanoke avenue, Jamaica Plain, Mass., who (if she lives) will be 100 years of age on November 26, 1921.

Melville C. Freeman, submaster of Boston High School of Practical Arts, was the principal speaker. He made an address on the lessons to be derived from the lives of the Pilgrims. He said in part:

> I hope I may be able to explain to you what the Pilgrim means to me. There has ever been one great struggle in all history, the long struggle for freedom. In that struggle there is one word which will always stand out—that of Pilgrim. It is a word of lofty ideals. It is a word full of courage and bright with honor. It was applied to a body of men and women who had great influence on American history. Of all the boasted immigrants that have peopled America, there are none who have equalled these first comers to the shores of Massachusetts.
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> Those who made up that early group possessed an attribute much finer than gold, that of character. That is the message that comes down from over 300 years ago.
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> The Pilgrims had sympathy and were gentler than the Puritans who followed in their footsteps. They were simply human beings and they saw in men and women human beings and treated them like human beings. They were lovers of peace. They did not show greedy spirit toward their neighbors who came in. They were not careless nor greedy and threatened no one's welfare.
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> The need of this hour and every hour in this country and in the world is the need of sympathy. From the toilers comes the cry, "We are human beings, not stones nor brutes nor machines, but human beings." The wise manager is hearing this call and is responding. When this cry is met from either side, then strife dies and the economic problem is easier. We must learn in every nation that members of every nation are human beings. Love of country also becomes dangerous if at the same time it breeds dislike of other nations. We want to be very particular, when we use the term "America First." If it becomes selfish it is dangerous.

Following the address there were more selections by the Adelphi Quartet, after which a message from Chicago was given by Miss Caroline Alden Huling, and a message from New York by John Alden Seabury. The memorial to the deceased members was read by the secretary, Mrs. Flora S. Mathewson, who also made her report of last year's meeting in Duxbury. Report of the treasurer, Charles L. Alden, also was given. Election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

President—Joseph Belcher, of Randolph, Mass.; Vice-Presidents—Stephen P. Alden, of Brockton; Austin M. Sweet, of Norton; John Alden Jordan, of Newport, R. I.; Jared Alden, of Middleboro; Ebenezer Alden, of Campello; Emmons J. Alden, of Chicago; Rev. Newton W. Bates, of Ohio; George W. Alden, of Brockton; George F. Washburn, of Manomet; Secretary—Mrs. Flora S. Mathewson, of South Braintree, Mass., (reelected); Treasurer—Charles L. Alden, of Hyde Park, Mass., (reelected); Auditor—Vernon A. Field, of Wollaston, Mass., (reelected). Executive Committee—The foregoing officers and Miss Annie Alden, Roxbury; Mrs. Florence King, Taunton; Mrs. Stephen P. Alden, Brockton; Miss Almira Simmons, Wollaston; Mrs. Susan L. Greeley, Allston; Mrs. Mabel D. Colley, Somerville; Mrs. Robert Baxter, Brockton.

Mrs. Mathewson's beautifully worded memorial was as follows: In loving memory of those of our kindred who have passed to "that land where falls no shadow, comes no pain," we pause in our activities. It is seldom your secretary has recorded all but one who have been members nearly the whole period of our association, and to you, who have walked the pathway of life with these members, the severing of the sacred ties of your associations brings a sense of great loss and we extend our sympathies to all. The names of the 13 members were then read:

Samuel Edgar Alden, Worcester, Mass., Charles H. Alden, Waterville, Maine; James H. Burgess, Malden, Mass., Mrs. Susan M. Bray, South Boston, Mass., Lewis F. Belcher, Holbrook, Mass., Mrs. Marion B. Babcock, Dorchester, Mass., Mrs. Amelia S. Cobb, Middleboro, Mass., Mrs. Rena O. Campbell, Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Kate C. Patten, Dorchester, Mass., Thomas Redfield Proctor, Utica, N. Y., Mrs. Sarah E. Saunders, South Braintree, Mass., Rev. William J. Tilley, Harrison, N. J., Horace J. Hooton, Boston, Mass.

One by one the links are broken
From the golden chain of life;
One by one our dear friends leave us,
Freed from earthly care and strife.
In our silent mental vision,
Which photographs the past,
We can trace their smiling faces,
Loyal, faithful, to the last.

An original poem by John Alden Seabury, Brooklyn, N. Y., was read, with a verse dedicated to each of the eleven honored children of John and Priscilla.

Cards for registration were handed to the Aldens as they entered the church and the list of kindred present was as follows:

Mrs. Dora G. Bent, Quincy Point; Mrs. Albert L. Cook, North Abington; Charles H. Hardwick, Quincy; Lucius Cook, Whitman; Francien Brett, North Duxbury; Marjorie Ropes, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Bela Alden, Whitman; Freeman L. Wright, Bangor, Me.; Almira E. Simmons, Wollaston; Mrs. Florence A. Wright, Bangor, Me.; Miss A. H. Harlow, Dorchester; Mrs. Ira C. Beals, Avon; Melville C. Freeman, West Roxbury; Mrs. John P. Farrington, Kingston; Eudora Alden Philip, Melrose; Emma M. Kingsbury, Auburndale; Mrs. Henry S. Thayer, Braintree; Mrs. Hattie B. Alden Oakes, Fitchburg; Alice M. Blossom, Roxbury; Mabel F. Alden, Dorchester; Mrs. Lillias H. Banyan and A. A. Baker, Colchester, Conn.; Mrs. L. E. Roundy, Westboro; Elizabeth F. Devine, West Suffield, Conn., Ellen M. Devine, Thompsonville, Conn.; Joseph Andrews, Boston; Mrs. W. F. Jackson and Helen Jackson, Brockton; Mrs. E. J. Woodworth and Katherine Woodworth, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. William Bassett, Wollaston; Rev. James A. Thompson, Bridgewater; Mrs. Lucius Cook, Whitman; Marion E. Ham, Quincy; Everett

Alden Churchill, South Braintree; Jessica C. Alden, Oneonta, N. Y.; Abbie A. Vaughan, East Bridgewater; Martha W. Vaughan, East Bridgewater; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Belcher, Holbrook; Miss Emma Dean, Holbrook; Mrs. Ralph Gilman, Taunton; Mrs. Ella A. Beals, Avon; Mrs. Charles F. Cook, Kingsston; Edith Nele Gibbons, Cleveland, O.; Robert Ashby Philip, Melrose; Mr. and Mrs. James W. Carey, Marshfield Centre; Miss Rosa D. Alden, Newtonville; Miss Gertrude Simmons Todd, Somerville; Mrs. Edith M. Holman, Newtonville; Annie H. Alden, Roxbury; Mrs. Arthur P. Baker, Allston; Miss Anna K. Brett, Avon; Elizabeth F. Devine, West Suffield, Conn., Mrs. Arthur C. King, Taunton; Mrs. E. Claribel Simonds, South Braintree; Loring B. Andrews, Boston; Robert Jackson, Brockton; Virginia Jackson, Brockton; Mary J. Jackson, Campello; Mrs. W. P. Alden, Randolph; Mrs. Margaret Bowman, Randolph; Linda M. French, Holbrook; Alice R. Thayer, Topsfield; Olive Thayer, Topsfield; Lucius T. 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After the session in the church had been concluded, many members taxied over to Duxbury, where they visited the ancestral Alden home, built in 1653; the Standish-Alden-Seabury burying ground, Captain's Hill and the Standish monument. Returning to Plymouth by 5 o'clock, they were in time to witness the solemn procession of the Pilgrims up Leyden street and Burial hill to the site of the original fort and church, where divine service was held daily, just as the *Mayflower* passengers held it 300 years ago. The old fort is no more, but Pilgrim man and matron and maid walked up the hill bearing Bibles and muskets, as in pioneer days. It was all very impressive and shows that

The Pilgrim spirit hath not fled—
It walks in noon's broad light
And it watches the bed of the glorious dead
With the holy stars, by night.
It watches the bed of the brave who have bled,
And shall guard this ice-bound shore
Till the waves of the bay, where the Mayflower lay,
Shall foam and freeze no more.

Binghamton, N. Y., August 19, 1921.

DESCENDANTS of John and Priscilla Alden, of the Pilgrim ship "Mayflower," 1620, to the number of more than 100, held their twenty-third annual reunion at Ross Park, Binghamton, N. Y., August 19, 1921. The oldest "Alden" present was Mrs. Lydia Reynolds of Binghamton, who will be 82 years old October 11, 1921, and the youngest was Pauline Forster, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank

W. Forster, of 304 Vestal avenue, Binghamton.

After a sumptuous basket lunch, in which cold chicken, baked beans and cake h been thoroughly assaulted, it was voted to hold next year's reunion of the Binghamt Chapter, Alden Kindred of America, at the same place on the third Saturday in Augu Heretofore, it has always been on Friday, because tradition has it that December 1620, the day the Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock, fell on a Friday; but no o present could prove it, and it was believed more persons would come on a Saturd with its usual half-holiday.

James A. Alden, of 5 Clifford street, Binghamton, was unanimously elected pre dent; A. W. Reynolds, R. F. D. 1, Johnson City, vice-president; Mrs. Eunice Lindn 1014 Press building, Binghamton, secretary; Raymond Reynolds, 25 Pine stre Binghamton, treasurer; Mrs. W. S. Coffin, 15 Linden street, Binghamton, historian.

Speakers of the day were Frank A. Alden, of Chicago, Ill., John Alden Seabu of Brooklyn, and R. F. Alden, of 5 Bromley avenue, Binghamton. Mr. Seabury, w was the guest while in Binghamton of James A. Alden, the new president, gave detailed report of progress made on the forthcoming Alden genealogy which he is co piling. He said that he already had 4,500 names of Alden descendants, living a departed, card-indexed, and he possessed genealogical data far in excess of 12,0 descendants altogether. He expressed it as his belief that more than 5,000 descendan of John and Priscilla Alden are now living in almost every State of the Union, of whi number several hundred, at least, live in Broome county. Mr. Alden, of Chicago, to about the work of The Midwest Chapter, Alden Kindred of America, with 300 memb in that city.

Present were: Fanny S. Tripp, Conklin; Mrs. George M. Crow, 54 Mill street; Mrs. F. W. Fors and daughters Ruth, Edith and Pauline, 304 Vestal avenue; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Pearsall and Eva Da idson, 4 Irving avenue; Anna Davidson, 9 Linden street; Mrs. Cathryne Winfield and children Robe Earl, Joseph, Anna and Myra, 225 Conklin avenue; Valentine Hyde, Raleigh Heights; Della, Lee a Floyd K. Stockwell, 9 Second Street; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Wells, Syracuse; Mrs. S. A. Kirch and children Emma, Thressa and Valentine, 19 Homer street; Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Hunt, 19 Roosev avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Alden and daughter Maralee, Johnson City; Charles W. and Emma Hobbie, 25 Pine street; W. B. Barnes, New York city; Alice M. Congdon and son Harry, 14 Congd place; Mrs. George Bayne, New York city; Mrs. W. B lden, and the Misses Beryl and Clara Al 82 Bigelow street; Mrs. Lidia Sherwood and son Harold, 2½ Monroe street, Johnson City; Jero Twitchel, 249 Conklin avenue; Mrs. M. Frost, Windsor; Lenora and Ralph Hall, Great Bend, Pa., Vio Doolittle, Endicott; Mrs. Amanda Smith, 8 Webster street; Georgia May Wilsey and Mr. and M Charles Shaver, Beerston; Zitella Rider, 12 Orton avenue; Mrs. W. G. Rider and Lyneita Gurney, Albert street, Johnson City; Mrs. Francis Alden and granddaughter, Frances, 20 Milford street; M Elizabeth Johnson, 23 College street; Velma Perry, 33 Doubleday street; Miss Emma E. Alden, 4 Cla street; Alice Parke and Dewitt Riley, Windsor; Lydia Reynolds and Mrs. J. T. Churchill, Sanatan Springs; Raymond H. and John Alden Reynolds, 25 Pine street; Walton Riley, Windsor; Evelyn Reynol State Hospital; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Reynolds, Johnson City; Mr. and Mrs. James A. Alden, 5 Cliffo street, and their guest, John Alden Seabury; Frank A. Alden, Chicago; Floyd G. Alden, Schenectad Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Alden, 5 Bromley avenue; Mrs. Eunice Lindner, 1014 Press building; and other (All of Binghamton, N. Y., except where otherwise stated.)

Clinton Centre, Pa., September 5, 1921.

IT was Pioneer or Early Settlers' day, and Memorial day as well, at the ages-ol Clinton Centre cemetery. In this cemetery are buried people who lived before th Revolution. There is unusual distinguishment inherent in the cemetery, for ther lie the remains of descendants of John and Priscilla Alden. But the descendants the Aldens are not all dead ones, and many of that strain are the living every-da people whom we meet in daily association. A great-great-great-grandson of John an Priscilla Alden is buried there, and he died at the remarkable age of 105 years. Hi name was Michael Grennell, and he was the great-great-grandfather of many of th present residents of Wayne County, Pennsylvania.

The huge conglomerate monument erected in honor of the early settlers throug the interest of E. M. Peck, of Carbondale, Pa., contains the names of the origina settlers in that pleasant valley. These families are Norton, Grennell, North, West Gaylord, Griswold, Peck, McMullen, Loomis, Ledyard, Bunting, Saunders, Davenport Arnold. These families are still existent, and their representatives were present.

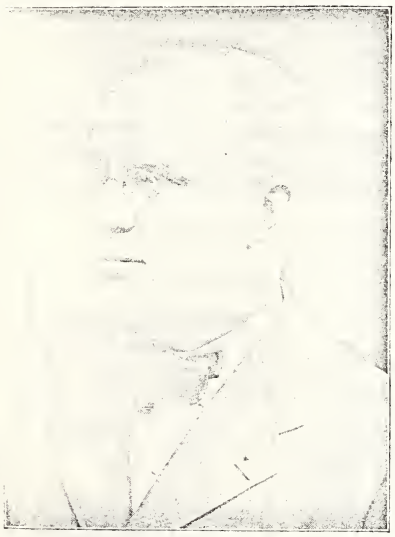
The celebration, while a reunion, was distinctive from all other reunions because i was not merely a one-family reunion but the reunion of many families and a reunion o the members of the ancient Clinton Centre Baptist Church. An honored guest wa Mrs. Rainey, wife of one of the pastors of many years ago. Mr. Rainey is still living but was unable to make the journey. The ladies of Clinton Centre church outdi themselves in extending hospitality. There were 250 persons present.

After dinner, E. M. Peck introduced Mr. Homer Greene of Honesdale. Mr Greene, himself a New Englander by descent from 150 years before the Revolution

spoke eloquently in tribute to the early settlers and of the sturdy race who inherit their qualities. He commended those present on maintaining an organization to keep alive the memory of the Pioneers. One of the great characteristics of these men and women of the early days was their religion, said Mr. Greene. Their faith in God and the promises of God was no formal rite, but the very bread of life to them. Their faith sustained them in struggles and in adverse environment of which we of today have no conception. Mr. Greene eloquently urged that all descendants strive, amidst the confusion of these troublous times, to get back to the first principles that characterized their ancestors—to assume the obligation which such ancestry and such memories impose, and to pass along unsullied the precious heritage.

The pastor of the church, Rev. Mr. McKenzie, Editor Pennell, of the *Wayne Independent*, and E. M. Peck, founder of the association of Early Settlers, all delivered addresses of intense interest.—*Carbondale (Pa.) Leader.*

FRANK WESLEY ALDEN



ONE of the best known of the Aldens is Frank Wesley Alden, of Delaware, Ohio, the picture of whose fortieth wedding anniversary appears as the frontispiece to this issue of the *Historiographer*. Like most Aldens, it must be conceded, his is a good-looking family. Mr. Alden is senior member of the firm of F. W. Alden & Son, general agents for The Union Central Life Insurance Company, with offices at 314-316 People's Building, Delaware, Ohio. It was Mr. Frank Wesley Alden, familiarly known as "Cousin Frank," who, in 1909, compiled and published the Alden genealogy known as "John Alden, of Ashfield, Mass., and Chautauqua County, New York—His Alden Ancestors and His Descendants." The author (F. W. A.) was born at McLane, Pa., April 6, 1858, seventh child (in the 10th generation from John and Priscilla) of Alonzo and Sarah M. (Tibbitts) Alden. He married Mary Nagley, of Cedarville, Ohio, June 8, 1881. They have four children. Mr. Alden is bringing his genealogy of 1909 down to date, for incorporation into the forthcoming *Tercentenary Book of Alden*, and is doing his utmost to insure the success of *Cousin* John Alden Seabury's genealogy. Cousin Frank is a good man to know.

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There is no reason why the descendants of John and Priscilla Alde living today to the number of 4,000 or 5,000 (at a conservative estimat cannot and should not support a little magazine of their own like t *Historiographer!* It is needed to keep us all posted, it is an invalual aid to the organized societies and chapters of the Alden Kindred, and affords an easy and convenient way of getting acquainted and real knowing each other—for we are scattered in American homes from tl Atlantic to the Pacific oceans.

We would be glad if some of the kindred would lend to us $500 o $1,000 to buy a printing outfit of our own (so we could get out a bett magazine and do our own printing of the Alden Book); but, as that "too good to be true," we will *greatly appreciate* $1 from *each of you* t pay publication costs until the good fairy appears.

Alden Kindred Coming Events

——1921——

October 6.—New York City, New Jerse and metropolitan district; Alden reception home of John Alden Seabury, 124 Pulaski St Brooklyn, N. Y. Every Alden descendant i cordially invited.

December 20.—The Midwest Chapter, Al den Kindred of America, annual banquet, com memorating 301st anniversary of landing o the Pilgrims. Chicago, Ill.

——1922——

June 29.—Alden Association of Steuben County; annual reunion at farm of Mr. and Mrs. John Burdin, town of Howard (Avoca P. O.) N. Y.

July 4.—The Midwest Chapter, A. K. of A., annual reunion and picnic, after 11 A. M., at home of Colonel Samuel F. Stewart, 2110 Orrington Ave., Evanston, Ill.

July 12.—Alden Kindred of America (National Society); annual reunion and outing, Duxbury (?), Mass.

August 19.—Binghamton Chapter, A. K. of A., annual reunion and picnic, Ross Park, Binghamton, N. Y.

September 4.—Old Home Day, Alden Kindred and other pioneers. Carbondale, Pa.

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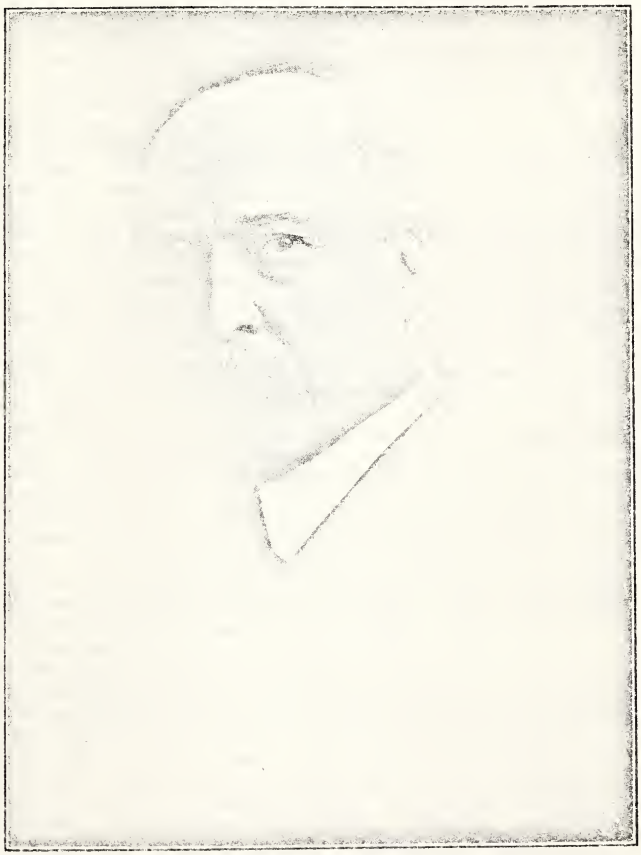

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Owing to errors and omissions in the January issue of the *Historiographer*, called to our attention by:
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Mr. H. F. Fuller, 6023 Winthrop av., Chicago, Ill., and
Dr. R. T. Quick, 406-7 Security bldg., Sioux City, Iowa,
the Publisher has decided to republish (as below) the First and Second Generations duly *corrected*. Er or omissions detected and called to the Editor's attention *now*, will be *corrected* and printed *correctly* the *Tercentenary Book of Alden*, when it is published. We will esteem it a favor to be apprised of er or incomplete records of families.

PARENTAGE OF JOHN ALDEN.

UNTIL this time nothing has been known concerning the forbears of John Ald *the Pilgrim*, who came in the ship *Mayflower*, 1620. Nothing can be *definit proven* now, but the Author *believes* he has identified either the grandfather the great-grandfather (and his wife) of *Pilgrim* John. They were John Alden a Olive (Calver) Alden, who lived at Wynfarthing, County Norfolk, England, betw the years 1551 and 1575 A. D., and for unknown periods of time before and he af those years. John and Olive Alden could not have been *parents* of *Pilgrim* Jo because they were husband and wife as early as 1551, whereas *Pilgrim* John, of *Mayflower*, was not born until *about* 1599. At the Alden Kindred meeting, held Mar 7, 1922, at the Hotel Irving, 26 Gramercy Park, New York City, appeared one M Walter C. Wyman, a collector of antiques, old deeds, etc., of 44 West 44th Stre New York City, who permitted the Author (John Alden Seabury) to exhibit the manuscripts dated 1551, 1555 and 1575 (all duly witnessed and attested) to Ald kindred there assembled. This was done. Of these MSS., Mr. Roundell Sanders manuscript authority) says: "The (three) John Alden MSS. consist of a Fine and t Charters, with his signature and seal. The signature is *very similar* to that of Jo Alden who sailed from Southampton in the *Mayflower* in 1620. They both wrote t syllable *den* thus, with a loop in the *d*. The *Mayflower* was built at Aldeburgh a far from Wynfarthing, the home of the Alden family. And the Suffolk historian, of t Victorian series, County Histories, claims the ship to have returned, after a f voyages, to Aldeburgh, where eventually it was captured with other vessels by pira of Dunkirk and burnt at sea. John joined the vessel at Southampton, and so writers have declared that he was a Southampton man, but no trace of his name h been found in any of the parish registers there, after very careful search of all t registers. The Wynfarthing Aldens were a fairly substantial family and able to provi for the great John's adventure. John signed on as a cooper, but it does not ensue th he followed coopering previously for a living. I trust any new owner of these Ald records may find the leisure and opportunity to make the great proof. I have o followed up partly and at odd moments, but so far no other claim is as good. Final let me say, there has been no advertisement of any of the enclosed records, nor have th been published or exhibited." These three manuscripts are written neatly and legi in Latin and Gothic; all repeat the names John Alden and wife Olive, and one at le is signed "By me, John Alden." On one, the two pendant seals remain, the device one seal being a rough six-pointed star—on the other the letters J. A. The Alden de of 1575 places them as English people, for it opens, and continues, with these word "To all the faithful of Christ to whom this present deed shall come, John Alden Wynfarthing, in the County of Norfolk, gentleman, (sendeth) greeting. Know that I, the aforesaid John, for and in part fulfilment and performance of certain covenant grants and agreements specified and declared in certain indentures made between the aforenamed John, of the one part, and one Henry Barrett of Wylbie, Coun Suffolk, yeoman, of the other part * * * belonging to one Lawrence Calve deceased, and now being in the tenure or occupation of the aforesaid Henry Barret or of his assigns, of the which one-third part I, the aforenamed John Alden and o Olive Alden, late my wife, deceased, one of the daughters and co-heirs of the aforesa Lawrence, were late seized as in right of the same Olive, and which third part of and the premises I, the aforenamed John Alden, now have to me and my heirs by good a lawful assurance from the aforenamed Olive, as by a certain fine and deed concerni the aforesaid assurance more fully and at large appear; to have and to hold, etc., et * * * Given on the last day of the month of December in the eighteenth year of th reign of our Lady Elizabeth, by the grace of God of England, France and Irelan

ueen, Defender of the Faith, etc., etc. * * * Delivered in the presence of Osmund avid, Robert Barret, Wyllyam Mayhew, Henry Kinge, Edmund Tooke, John oncher, Fraunceis Kynge."

WILLIAM MULLINS.

(*Molines in the French*)

WILLIAM MULLINS, whose name is the tenth among the signers of the Compact, joined the Pilgrims with his family at Southampton. The probate at London, July 23, 1621, of his nuncupative will indicates that he came from Dorking, unty Surrey, England. He died February 21, 1621, and his wife Alice and son seph also succumbed during the first terrible winter in what is now Plymouth, Massausetts. His daughter Priscilla married John Alden. His eldest son William, to hom he left his share of land, came later to the colony. Thus, *all* Alden descendants ave *four Mayflower* ancestors: John Alden, his wife Priscilla, and her parents, William nd Alice Mullins.

FIRST GENERATION.

(*Revised from January Issue*)

1.—JOHN ALDEN, born about 1599, died Sept. 12, 1687, Duxbury, Mass., arried (*about* 1622) Priscilla, daughter of William and Alice Mullins (which two rents died the first winter). This marriage was the second or third in the colony. ohn Alden was not a member of the Leyden Company, but, as Bradford states, "was ired for a cooper, at South-Hampton, wher the ship victualled; and, being a hopfull ng man, was much desired, but left to his own liking to go or stay when he came here." e was thus about 21 when he signed the Compact in the cabin of the *Mayflower* (the enth signer), and, electing to stay, married Priscilla. John Alden proved a most sirable member of the Pilgrim Company, as is shown by his life of manly usefulness. e was one of the eight *Undertakers* in 1627; was chosen one of the Assistants in 1633, nd was annually reelected until 1641, in which year he was elected Deputy from uxbury to the General Court, and continued to serve as such until 1650, when he s again chosen a member of the Council and so continued until his death, having en for 22 years the senior member of the Council. In 1646, he was made a member the Council of War for Plymouth, and served in that capacity, also, for many years. 1656, 1657 and 1658 he was treasurer of the colony, having succeeded Myles Standish that office. In 1687, at his death, he was the last survivor of the forty-one signers the Compact.

Jonathan, his third son, with whom he resided on the old homestead, administered s estate and made final settlement with the heirs June 13, 1688. As only eight ildren are named in this instrument, it was supposed until recently that he had no ore. Bradford, however, states in his history that—at the time of his writing—hn Alden and his wife Priscilla both were living and had eleven children, and that eir eldest daughter (Elizabeth) was living and had five children.

The romance of youth, love and early orphanage has for 300 years centered about e memory of Priscilla, the Pilgrim maid, whose love story and marriage have been petuated in poetry by one of her most distinguished descendants, Henry Wadsworth ngfellow. Her maiden name is variously spelled, by historians, Mullins, Molines, ullines, Molineaux and even DuMoulins. Dr. Baird, in his history of *The Huguenot igration to America*, asserts positively that the Molines family were Huguenots. riscilla certainly was a Leyden Pilgrim; therefore, it is logical to suppose that the rk-eyed little maid was something of a linguist for her time—that she must have oken Dutch, the language of the people among whom she lived, and that her parents d been careful to teach her their own native French. Her principal tongue, of course, s the English of the Pilgrims, for they were chiefly British. John Alden being a ruely person (he possessed blue eyes, flaxen hair, and was known as "The Saxon iant"), it is not surprising that when he was sent by Myles Standish (after the death the Captain's first wife) to solicit her hand in marriage, she preferred the messenger the message.

As he warmed and glowed, in his simple and eloquent language,
Quite forgetful of self, and full of the praise of his rival,
Archly the maiden smiled, and, with eyes overrunning with laughter
Said, in a tremulous voice, "Why don't you speak for yourself, John?"

The date of the marriage of John and Priscilla (*about* 1622) plays havoc with Longellow's picturesque description of the gallant John's chivalry in placing the little bride on his snow-white bull, covered "with handsome broadcloth," for the stern truth

must be told that Edward Winslow, returning to New England from old Eng in the ship *Charity*, in 1624, brought, "beside a good supply, three heifers and a the first beginning of any cattle of that kind in the land."

Tradition says Priscilla was eighteen when she landed (1620). We know not further of her—only as the wife of John Alden, and mother of his children—until when, at the funeral of Gov. Josiah Winslow, were present "the venerable John Al with Priscilla on his arm." Undoubtedly, she died before her husband, for the no mention of her in notices of his death. She certainly was not alive in Janu 1688-89, four months later; Elizabeth (Tillie) Howland dies then, and mentio made that she was the last but three of the *Mayflower Band*. These three were Resol White, who died in 1690; John Cooke, who died in Dartmouth, Sept. 14, 1695 (l male survivor of the *Mayflower Band*); and, last of all, Mary (Allerton) Cushman 1699.

CHILDREN.

i. Elizabeth, *b.* 1623-4, *m.* William Pabodie.
ii. John (*Capt.*), *b.* 1626, *m. 1st* Elizabeth ———, *m. 2nd* Elizabeth (Phillips) Everell.
iii. Joseph, *b.* 1627, *m.* Mary Simmons.
iv. Sarah, *b. ab.* 1629, *m.* Alexander Standish.
v. Jonathan (*Capt.*), *b. ab.* 1632, *m.* Abigail Hallett.
vi. Ruth, *b.* 1634-5, *m.* John Bass.
vii. Rebecca, *b. ab.* 1637.*
viii. Priscilla, *b. ab.* 1639.*
ix. Zachariah, *b. ab.* 1641, *m.* Ann/Mary ———.
x. Mary, *b. ab.* 1643, *m.* Thomas Delano.
xi. David, *b.* 1646, *m.* Mary Southworth.
* Timothy (*Capt.*), *m.* ———; (perhaps).

SECOND GENERATION.

(*Revised from January Issue*)

2.—ELIZABETH ALDEN, *dau.* of John (1); *b.* 1623-4, Plymouth, Mass., she *d.* May 31, 1717 (Little Compton, R. I.) in her 94th year; *m.* (Dec. 26, 16 William (*b.* 1620, *d.* Dec. 13, 1707, Little Compton), *s.* John and Isabel (——— Pabodie, of Little Compton, and was ancestor of Henry Wadsworth Longfell American poet, who immortalized her mother's marriage in *The Courtship of Mi Standish*.

CHILDREN.

i. John, *b.* Oct. 4, 1645; *unm.*
ii. Elizabeth, *b.* Apr. 24, 1647, *m.* John Rogers.
iii. Mary, *b.* Aug. 7, 1648, *m.* Edward Southworth.
iv. Mercy, *b.* Jan. 2, 1649-50, *m.* John Simmons.
v. Martha, *b.* Feb. 25, 1650-1, *m. 1st* Samuel Seabury, M. D., *m. 2nd Lt.* William Foben
vi. Priscilla, *b.* Nov. 16, 1652; *d.* in *inf.*
vii. Priscilla (*again*), *b.* Jan. 15, 1653-4, *m.* Rev. Ichabod Wiswall.
viii. Sarah, *b.* Aug. 7, 1656, *m.* John Coe.
ix. Ruth, *b.* June 27, 1658, *m.* Benjamin Bartlett.
x. Rebecca, *b.* Oct. 16, 1660, *m.* William Southworth.
xi. Hannah, *b.* Oct. 15, 1662, *m.* Samuel Bartlett.
xii. William, *b.* Nov. 24, 1664, *m. 1st* Judith Morgan, *m. 2nd* Elizabeth———, *m. 3rd wife* Mary (Morgan) Starr.
xiii. Lydia, *b.* April 3, 1667, *m.* Daniel Grinnell.

3.—*Capt.* JOHN ALDEN, of Boston, Mass., mariner and Commander of Mas chusetts Bay Navy, noted for part he took in French war (1692); *s.* of John (1); *b.* 16 Plymouth, Mass., *d.* Mar. 14, 1702, Boston; admitted freeman, 1648; *rem.* (16 Duxbury, Mass., to Boston, where he was known as "The Tall Man of Boston," was an original member of Old South Church, Boston, at its organization, May 12 1669. His *res.* was in Alden lane; later, Alden st. "He was a man of sound judgme active business habits and unexceptionable moral character, and acquired considera property. During the witchcraft delusion in 1692, he was accused and taken to Sal for examination, where he acquitted himself admirably, yet was imprisoned in Bo for several weeks, when he escaped and went to Duxbury, but soon returned and g himself up, and was under bonds until the delusion had passed away, when he and others similarly accused were legally discharged." (*Alden Memorial*, 1867.) M Gale (*N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg.*, v. 52, pp. 166-7) makes oath in 1786 to his descendan she, herself, being one; she says: "Capt. John Alden[2] left five children, John, J William, Nathaniel, Zachariah and Elizabeth. John[3] Alden, Jr., left John, Nathan Elizabeth, Hannah and Anna. William[3] left three daughters, Elizabeth, Lydia a

*Mrs. Charles L. Alden, 31 Maple av., Troy, N. Y., eminent and recognized Alden autho (see *N.E.Gen. and Hist. Reg.*), writes to *Historiographer* (John Alden Seabury), thus: "I feel sure Rel was dead when Bradford wrote, and it is possible Priscilla was the wife (not *dau.*) of John. Since I w my *Alden Genealogy* in *N. E. Hist. and Gen. Reg.*, I have discovered a *Capt.* Timothy Alden broth *Capt.* John of Boston, and hope to be well enough next Fall to go to Salem and Ipswich to get proo statement in *Kneeland Genealogy*.

Mary. Nathaniel[3] left Mary and Elizabeth. Zachariah[3] left Mary and Elizabeth. Elizabeth[3] married a Willard (also John Walley) and had seven children, and all are dead but the Bridgams, who are grandchildren. We see that, in 1786, there was not a descendant of *Capt.* John[2] Alden in the name. John[4] Alden, grandson of *Capt.* John[2] Alden, left one heir, Anna, wife of Anthony Jones. Mr. C. H. Wight of New York, aided by Mrs. Lucy H. Greenlaw of Cambridge, has sifted this to the bottom and has copies of all the deeds, receipts, etc., of this long and tedious affair. It shows conclusively that all pedigrees in the Alden name, running to *Capt.* John[2] Alden, are false."—(*Mrs. C. L. Alden*). He *m. 1st*, Elizabeth ————; *m. 2d*, Elizabeth (Phillips) Everell, *dau.* William Phillips, of Watertown and Saco, and *wid.* Abiell Everell.

CHILDREN.

First Wife.
- i. Mary, *b.* Dec. 17, 1659, *prob. d. y.*

Second Wife.
- ii. John, *b.* Nov. 20, 1660, *d. y.*
- iii. Elizabeth, *b.* May 9, 1662, *d.* July 14, 1662.
- iv. John (*again*) (*Capt.*), *b.* Mar. 12, 1663, *m. 1st* Elizabeth Phelps, *m. 2d* Susanna Winslow. (26)
- v. William, *b.* Mar. 10, 1664, *d. y.*
- vi. Elizabeth (*again*), *b.* Apr. 9, 1665, *m. 1st* John Walley, *m. 2d* Simon Willard. (27)
- vii. William (*again*), *b.* Mar. 5, 1666, *d. y.*
- viii. Zachariah, *b.* Mar. 8, 1667, *d. y.*
- ix. William (*again*) (*Capt.*), *b.* Sept. 10, 1669, *m.* Mary Drury. (28)
- x. Nathaniel, *b.* 1670, *m.* Hepzibah Mountjoy. (29)
- xi. Zachariah (*again*), *b.* Feb. 13, 1673, *m.* Mary Viall. (30)
- xii. Nathan, *b.* Oct. 17, 1677, *d. y.*
- xiii. Sarah, *b.* Sept. 27, 1681, *d. y.*

1.—JOSEPH ALDEN, farmer, of Bridgewater, Mass., *s.* of John (1); *b. prob.* 1627, after the Division of Cattle, as he is not mentioned in list with his elder sister (2) and brother (3); *d.* Feb. 8, 1697; admitted as freeman, 1659; had father's proprietary share in Bridgewater, where he settled, in West Bridgewater; his will was dated Dec. 11, 1696, proved Mar. 10, 1697, *wid.* Mary and *s.* John executors. (See *The Descendants of Polly and Ebenezer Alden*, 1903, by Ebenezer Alden and Henry Shaw, M. D., and *John[7] Alden, of Ashfield, Mass., and Chautauqua County, New York*, 1909, by Frank Wesley Alden, for additional information). He *m.* Mary, *dau.* Moses and Sarah Simmons, Moses having come from England in the ship *Fortune* in 1621.

- i. Isaac, *b.* 16—, *m.* Mehitabel Allen. (31)
- ii. Joseph (*Deacon*), *b.* 1667, *m.* Hannah Dunham. (32)
- iii. John, *b.* 1671, *m.* Hannah White. (33)

and, as *Mitchell* conjectures, (generally accepted as correct).

- iv. Elizabeth, *b.* 167–, *m.* Benjamin Snow. (34)
- v. Hopestill, *b.* 16—, *m.* Joseph Snow (?) (35)

5.—SARAH ALDEN, *dau.* of John (1); *b. ab.* 1629, Duxbury, Mass., *d.*————; *m.* Alexander, *s. Capt.* Myles Standish of the *Mayflower*.

CHILDREN.

- i. Lorah, *b.* 16—, *m.* Abraham Sampson. (36)
- ii. Lydia, *b.* 16—, *m.* Isaac Sampson. (37)
- iii. Mercy, *b.* 16—, *m.* Caleb Sampson. (38)
- iv. Elizabeth, *b.* 16—, *m.* (*ab.* 1679) Samuel Delano. (39)
- v. Sarah, *b.* 1666, *m.* Benjamin Soule. (40)
- vi. Miles, *b. bef.* 1671, *m.* Experience Sherman. (41)
- vii. Ebenezer, *b.* 1672, *m.* Hannah Sturtevant. (42)

6.—*Capt.* JONATHAN ALDEN, of Duxbury, Mass., *s.* of John (1); *b. ab.* 1632, (Duxbury, Mass.), as his gravestone states he *d.* Feb. 14, 1697, in his 65th year; buried under arms (Feb. 17), with address at grave by Rev. Ichabod Wiswall (see *Collection of American Epitaphs*, by Rev. Timothy Alden, jr., D. D., *vol.* III., *art.* 622); captain in militia; administrator and inheritor of father's estate, Duxbury, *m.* (Dec. 10, 1672) Abigail (*b.* Barnstable, Mass., *d.* Aug. 17, 1725, *a.* 81), *dau.* Benjamin Hallett, of Barnstable.

CHILDREN.

- i. Andrew, *b.* 16—, *m.* Lydia Stamford. (43)
- ii. Jonathan, *b.* 16—, *m.* Elizabeth Arnold. (44)
- iii. John (*Col.*), *b.* 1680, *m.* Hannah Briggs. (45)
- iv. Sarah, *b.* 16—, *m.* Thomas Southworth. (46)
- v. Elizabeth, *b.* 16—, *m.* Edmund Chandler. (47)
- vi. Mary, *b.* 16—, *m.* Ichabod Bartlett. (48)

7.—RUTH ALDEN, *dau.* of John (1); *b.* 1634-5, Duxbury, Mass., *d.* Aug. 12, 1671, Braintree, Mass., (*Braintree records*); *m.*, "by Mr. John Aulden of Duxbury" (*Braintree records*), (Dec. 3, 1657) John (*b. ab.* 1632, *d.* Sept. 12, 1716), *s.* Samuel and Ann Bass. He (John Bass) *m. 2d* (July 7, 1675) Hannah Sturtephant, of Plymouth—who also was called Ann—but his will makes no mention of a second wife. Ruth was an ancestor of John Adams and John Quincy Adams, presidents of the United States of America.

CHILDREN.

- i. John, *b.* Sept. 26, 1658, *m. 1st* Abigail Adams, *m. 2d* Rebecca Saville. (49)
- ii. Samuel, *b.* Jan. 25, 1660, *m.* Mary Adams. (50)
- iii. Ruth, *b.* Nov. 28, 1662, *m.* Peter Webb. (51)

iv. Joseph, *b.* Oct. 5, 1665, *m. 1st* Mary Belcher, *m. 2d* Lois Rogers.
v. Hannah, *b.* Apr. 22, 1667, *m.* Joseph Adams.
vi. Mary, *b.* Feb. 11, 1669-70, *m. 1st* Christopher Webb, jr., *m. 2d* William Copeland.
vii. Sarah, *b.* Mar. 29, 1672, *m.* Ephraim Thayer.

8.—REBECCA ALDEN, *dau.*, of John (1); *b. ab.* 1637. (See footnote on p.

9.—PRISCILLA ALDEN, *dau.* of John (1); *b. ab.* 1639. (See footnote on p.

10.—ZACHARIAH ALDEN, mariner, *s.* of John (1); *b. ab.* 1641, Duxbury, M *m.* Ann/Mary ————, and was ancestor of William Cullen Bryant. American p (Records of *The Midwest Chapter, Alden Kindred of America*, and *H. F. Fuller, histor* 6023 Winthrop av., Chicago, Ill.; *Mitchell*, p. 295; and *Hist. N. Brookfield*, p. 7 There was no will or settlement of the estate, and altogether this family record is satisfactory. The name Zachariah appears in his brother John's family. We have a tradition that Anna (Alden) Snell had a brother Zachariah, and think it proba that the Mary Alden who married Samuel Allen in 1700 was his daughter, who was Bridgewater visiting her sister; (Mrs. *C. L. Alden* in *N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg.* v. 52, pp. 138-

CHILDREN.

i. Anna, *b.* 16—, *m.* Josiah Snell.
ii. Mary, *b.* 16—, *m.* Samuel Allen.
iii. Zachariah, *b.* 16—, *m.* ————?
iv. John (perhaps).

11.—MARY ALDEN, *dau.* of John (1); *b. ab.* 1643, Duxbury, Mass., *d. bef* Oct. 24, 1699; *m.* (1667) Thomas (*b.* Mar. 21, 1642, *d.* Apr. 15, 1723), *s.* Philip and Hes (Dewsbury) Delano, who *m. 2d* (Oct. 24, 1699) *wid.* Hannah Bartlett.

CHILDREN.

i. Benoni, *b.* Oct. 20, 1667, *m.* ———— ————.
ii. Thomas, *b. prob.* 1669, *m.* ———— ————.
iii. Jonathan, *b.* 1675, *m.* Mary Doten.
iv. David, *b. ab.* 1678, *m.* Elizabeth Eddy.
v. Mary, *b.* 16—, *m.* ———— ————?
vi. Sarah, *b.* 16—, *m.* John Drew.
vii. Ruth, *b.* 16—, *m.* Samuel Drew.
viii. Joseph, *b.* 1685, *m.* Hannah ————

12.—DAVID ALDEN, husbandman, of Duxbury, Mass., *s.* and lastborn *c.* John (1); *b.* 1646, *d.* 1719, part of his estate at Middleborough, Mass., being appraise May 20, 1719. Justin Winsor, in his *History of Duxbury*, p. 211, says: "David Alde was much employed in the public business of the town, one of its selectmen, its deput and likewise an assistant in the government. He was a prominent member of t church, reputed to be one of its deacons, and a man of the highest respectability He also adds that, in 1676, David Alden was constable, and, in 1701, treasurer Duxbury. (By *Mrs. Chas. L. Alden*, 31 Maple av., Troy, N. Y.): "I have be impressed by one fact in regard to this family—they scattered far and wide. It possible the mother's family may have influenced her children, for Mary (Southwort Alden had a sister in Eastham, Mercy Freeman; a brother William, and sister Priscil (Southworth) [Talbot] Irish, and another sister, Alice, wife of Col. Benjamin Chur in Little Compton, R. I. Another fact comes to light in the descendants of Day *alone*: for three generations we find the name *Alice*—no doubt from the illustrio great-grandmother, Alice Bradford. David Alden lived in Duxbury, about 2 mil from his father's house; the spot is marked on the map of Duxbury by a small hou with the name of Mrs. Soule, who was daughter of Samuel. (David[2], Jol.n[1]); it w torn down in 1820." David Alden *m.* (*prob.* 1670) Mary, *dau.* Constant and Elizabet (Collier) Southworth. *Mrs. Alden*, Troy, N. Y., says of this: "I think she was bo about 1650; she was alive March 13, 1718, but I think died before Feb. 17, 171 at that time, Col. Benjamin Church 'went on a visit of condolence to the only surviv sister' of his wife, Priscilla (Southworth) [Talbot] Irish, wife of John Irish, who liv in Little Compton, near the Tiverton line. She had lost her only daughter, Hann Talbot. Returning from that visit, his horse stumbled and fell, and caused his death David Alden had 7 children, though the *Alden Memorial* (1867), by Ebenezer Alde M. D., mentions only 4, and *Frank Wesley Alden* (1909) had knowledge of only 5.

CHILDREN.

i. Henry, *b. ab.* 1671, *m. 1st* Deborah ————, *m. 2d* Elizabeth Collier.
ii. Ruth, *b.* 1674, *m.* Samuel Sprague.
iii. Elizabeth, *b.* 1677, *m. Deacon* John Seabury.*
iv. Priscilla, *b.* 1679, *m.* Samuel Chesebrough.
v. Alice, *b. ab.* 1682, *m.* Judah Paddock.
vi. Benjamin, *b. ab.* 1685, *m.* Hannah ————.
vii. Samuel (*Capt.*), *b. ab.* 1689, *m.* Sarah Sprague.

*Proved (John Alden Seabury) by Elizabeth's gravestone in Wequetequock cemetery, near Stonington, Conn., showing her to be "relict of John Seabury," etc. (See 3d Gen.) *Proved, also, by Mr Charles L. Alden.

13.—TIMOTHY ALDEN, *s.* (*perhaps*) *of* John (1). (See footnote* on p. 4.)

CHILDREN.

i. Mary, *b.* ———, *m.* a Kneeland. (74)
ii. (and others). (75)

THIRD GENERATION.

14.—JOHN PABODIE, *s.* of Elizabeth (2); *b.* Oct. 4, 1645, and *d.* Nov. 17, 1669, Duxbury, Mass.—"The verdict of the Jury was 'that hee, rydeing on the road, his horse carryed him underneath the bow of a young tree, & violently forcing his head into the body thereof brake his skull.' " (*Winsor's Duxbury*); *unm.*

15.—ELIZABETH PABODIE, *dau.* of Elizabeth (2); *b.* Apr. 24, 1647, Duxbury, Mass., *d. before* 1707; *m.* (Nov. 16, 1666) John (*b. ab.* 1640, *d.* June 28, 1732, Barrington), *s.* John and Ann (Churchman) Rogers, and *gr.-s.* Thomas Rogers of the *Mayflower*. John Rogers, her *h. m. 2d*, Marah (———) Newell, but all his *c.* were by his first *w.*, Elizabeth Pabodie (15).

CHILDREN.

i. Hannah, *b.* Nov. 16, 1668, *m.* Samuel Bradford (76)
ii. John, *b.* Sept. 22, 1670, *d.* Nov. 2, 1696, Boston, Mass., *unm.*
iii. Elizabeth, *b. ab.* 1672, *m.* Sylvester Richmond. (77)
iv. Ruth, *b.* Apr. 18, 1675, *m.* James Bennett (78)
v. Sarah, *b.* May 4, 1677, *m.* Nathaniel Searle (79)

(Third Generation to be continued in July issue)

Alden Kindred Reunions

Chicago, Ill., January 17, 1922.

OFFICERS for the ensuing year were elected at this, the annual, meeting of The Midwest Chapter, Alden Kindred of America, as shown herewith: Frank A. Alden, president; Gertrude Alden Neely, Mrs. Harry Barnes Gear and Frederick E. White, vice-presidents; Jesse A. Cook, secretary-treasurer; William G. Adkins, auditor; Henry F. Fuller, historian; Prof. Chester A. Gould, chaplain. Although adopted long prior to this meeting, it is timely to state that The Midwest Chapter motto is "Speak for Yourself!"

New York, N. Y., February 7, 1922.

DR. C. C. VINTON entertained The Alden Kindred of New York City and Vicinity at his offices and apartment in the Hotel Holley, 33 Washington Square West, New York City, on February 7, 1922, assisted by his sister, Dr. Maria M. Vinton, of Richmond Hill, L. I., with the Entertainment Committee, headed by "Cousin Betty" Valentine, in charge of the evening's program. Original valentines, and the reading of poetry and prose relating to the Pilgrims, comprised the features of the happy gathering. Hon. Samuel Seabury, formerly Judge of the Court of Appeals of the State of New York (a prominent descendant of John and Priscilla), of 120 Broadway, New York City, and Mr. John H. Morris (not a descendant, present as a visitor) of Saratoga Springs, N. Y., both of them practicing attorneys and counselors-at-law, made the principal addresses. Alden cousins attending for the first time were Judge and Mrs. Samuel Seabury, New York City; Mrs. Frederick H. Paine, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Mrs. (Stanley) Jean Alexander Smith, New London, Conn.

Chicago, Ill., February 21, 1922.

THE MIDWEST CHAPTER held its usual interesting monthly meeting, opening the new fiscal year. Miss Caroline Alden Huling writes to John Alden Seabury: "I had long thought that The Midwest Chapter should do something in appreciation of the work you are doing for the family, so I brought the matter up and was authorized to solicit donations from our members for a fund to send to you. Several dollars were subscribed and paid in at once, but it was thought best to defer sending until more was collected, to make it worth while." (The Editor heartily thanks Miss Huling and The Midwest Chapter.) Four more Certified (ancestry to John Alden, of the *Mayflower*) Members were added to The Midwest Chapter rolls, as follows:

*No. 2.—(Honorary)—John Alden Seabury, Jamaica, N. Y.
No. 115.—Velma (Barker) Hoxie, Ottawa, Ill.
No. 116.—Lo Denia (Morse) Dieckilmann, Michigan City, Ind.
No. 117.—Rev. Leonard W. Riley, D. D., McMinnville, Oregon.

*No. 1.—(Honorary) is Vernon A. Field, Boston, Mass.

Binghamton, N. Y., February 22, 1922.

EIGHTY descendants of John and Priscilla Alden assembled for a George Wash ton dinner in the Chamber of Commerce assembly room. A feature w caused considerable merriment was the showing of old-fashioned photogr of the guests on a screen. Miss Marian Beaty, pianist, and Miss Ella Blair, saxaph played accompaniments for the singing of popular airs by the assemblage. V selections were given by Mrs. A. Van Wormer, Miss Mary Brownlow and Tracy Pre It was decided to make the affair an annual George Washington party.

Hoquiam, Wash., March 1, 1922.

NINE Alden descendants at Hoquiam, Wash., are desirous of forming a cha of the Alden Kindred in the Grays Harbor country of the Pacific North and probably will do so. All nine are members of the Society of Mayfl Descendants in the State of Washington. This information comes to the *Hi ographer* from *Cousin* Mrs. (A. H.) Ida Soule Kuhn, P. O. Box 515, Hoquiam, W May the good work go on!

New York, N. Y., March 7, 1922.

WET weather kept down the attendance at this intensely interesting meetin which Miss Bertha Bass (an Alden) and Dr. Ethel Doty Brown (not an A descendant) were hostesses. Nevertheless, a goodly number of the mo Pilgrims gathered together, and those who had come before united happily in welco into the Kindred: Col. Henry B. Fairbanks, 91 William street, and Capt. Walt Joyce, 32 Union square, both of New York, N. Y., Joseph L. Barker, 371 Park p Brooklyn, N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Blake Snyder, Caldwell, N. J. Prese guests were Miss Marguerite C. Pearce, of Willimantic, Conn., and Miss Laura Sand of New Kingston, N. Y., (not Alden descendants). Each of the newcomers ma talk; each was applauded. Dr. Maria C. Vinton read a paper on reminisce The president passed around three ancient deeds, executed and signed by John A believed to be grandfather, or great-grandfather, of John of the *Mayflower*; (see 2 of this issue). The place of meeting was changed from Jamaica, L. I., to New Y by request of Miss Bass, *who had not* previously entertained.

Alden Kindred Coming Events

April 4.—A. K. of N. Y. C. and V., home of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Alden, Herschell St., (Bronx), New York City.

April 18.—The Midwest Chapter, Chicago, Ill.

May 2.—A. K. of N. Y. C. and V., annual meeting, with C. C. Vinton, M. Hotel Holley, 33 Washington Sq., W., New York, N. Y.

May 16.—The Midwest Chapter, Chicago, Ill.

June 6.—A. K. of N. Y. C. and V., home of Mrs. E. J. Woodworth, 215 St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

June 29.—Alden Association of Steuben County; annual reunion, at farm Mr. and Mrs. John Burdin, town of Howard (Avoca P. O.), N. Y.

July 1.—A. K. of N. Y. C. and V., first annual reunion and outing, sponsored Miss Helen H. Olendorf, at Washington Rock, near her home at Bound Brook, N

July 4.—The Midwest Chapter, A. K. of A., Chicago, Ill., annual reunion and pic

July 12.—Alden Kindred of America (National Society); annual reunion outing, Duxbury (?), Mass.

August 19.—Binghamton Chapter, A. K. of A., annual reunion and picnic, B Park, Binghamton, N. Y.

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